

REMARKS

Summary of Changes Made

The Application was filed with 44 claims, and claims 5-7 and 21 were canceled in a preliminary amendment. Applicants hereby elect without traverse the invention of the Group I claims (claims 1-4, 8-19, 27, 28, 32-38 and 40-44). Claims 20, 22-26, 29-31, and 39 are canceled herein. Although claims 20, 22-26, 29-31, and 39 are canceled, Applicants intend only to withdraw the subject matter thereof from consideration as drawn to a non-elected invention.

While Applicants reserve the right to pursue the subject matter of claims 20, 22-26, 29-31 and 39 through the filing of one or more divisional applications, new claims 46-52 are presented to correspond to the subject matter of withdrawn claims 20, 22-26, 29-31, and 39. Such claims include product limitations of appropriate product claims with a view to rejoinder, if such becomes possible. Claim 45 captures subject matter lost from amendment to claim 41 to remove multiple dependency. New method claim 46 finds support in paragraph [0045] of the specification. It is therefore believed that claims 45-52 belong to Group I, and are included in the election.

Minor clarifying amendments are made to claims 2-4, 8-17, 27, 28, 32-37, 41 and 42, which do not substantively the scope of the claimed subject matter.

Accordingly, claims 1-4, 8-19, 27, 28, 32-38, and 40-52 (38 claims) remain pending. No new matter is added by this amendment.

CONCLUSION

In light of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the present application, including claims 1-4, 8-19, 27, 28, 32-38, and 40-52, is in condition for allowance and notice to that effect is hereby requested. If it is determined that the application is not in a condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to initiate a telephone interview with the undersigned attorney to expedite prosecution of the present application.

If there are any additional fees resulting from this communication, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 18-0160, our Order No. IWI-16783.

Respectfully submitted,

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